

elect Jens Stoltenberg of Norway to congratulate him on his election victory.

Later in the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He and Vice President Dick Cheney then had a briefing on Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts. Later, in the Family Theater, he participated in a speech preparation session for his address to the Nation later in the day.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Pascagoula, MS. Later, at the Chevron Pascagoula Refinery, he and Gov. Haley Barbour of Mississippi had a briefing by refinery manager Roland Kell.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to New Orleans, LA, where he went to the U.S.S. *Iwo Jima*, docked near New Orleans. Upon arrival, he met with Mayor C. Ray Nagin of New Orleans, LA, Gov. Kathleen Babineaux Blanco of Louisiana, Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff, and Lt. Gen. Russel L. Honore, USA, commanding general, First United States Army.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor (Occupational Safety and Health).

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard Stickler to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

The President announced his intention to designate Santanu K. Baruah as Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

September 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and a briefing on Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with President Vladimir Putin of Russia.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Thaksin Chinnawat of Thailand to the White House on September 19.

The White House announced that the President will welcome King Abdullah II of

Jordan to the White House on September 22.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted September 13

Shana L. Dale,
of Georgia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, vice Frederick D. Gregory.

Donald A. Gambatesa,
of Virginia, to be Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development, vice Everett L. Mosley.

Carmen Maria Martinez,
of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Zambia.

Gregory F. Van Tatenhove,
of Kentucky, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, vice Karl S. Forester, retired.

Submitted September 15

Michael R. Arietti,
of Connecticut, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Rwanda.

Karan K. Bhatia,
of Maryland, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, vice Josette Sheeran Shiner.

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr.,
of South Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, vice John Lester Henshaw.

Richard Stickler, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health, vice David D. Lauriski, resigned.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released September 10

Statement by the Press Secretary: Egyptian Presidential Elections

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Alabama

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Indiana

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Iowa

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kansas

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kentucky

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Missouri

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Pennsylvania

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to South Carolina

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to South Dakota

Released September 12

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Arizona

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Virginia

Released September 13

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Council Senior Director for Asian Af-

fairs Mike Green on the President's meeting with President Hu Jintao of China

Released September 14

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy National Security Adviser Faryar Shirzad

Fact sheet: President Bush Addresses the United Nations General Assembly

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to California

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Connecticut

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Idaho

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Maryland

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Massachusetts

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Minnesota

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Montana

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Nebraska

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Nevada

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to North Dakota

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Ohio

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Wisconsin

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to North Carolina

Released September 15

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing the President has authorized the Secretary of State to transmit to Congress the annual report listing major illicit drug-producing and drug-transit countries

Excerpts of the President's address to the Nation on recovery from Hurricane Katrina